To: ALL BRIDGE DESIGNERS

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The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials has issued the Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges, 17^{tth} Edition 2002, code HB-17. Copies may be obtained from AASHTO Publication Sales at P. O. Box 96716, Washington, DC, 20090-6716 at \$288.00 for non-members (\$240.00 for members) per copy including postage and handling. You may also fax your order to 800/525-5562 or you may place your order by phone, call 800/231-3475 or visit the AASHTO Bookstore at www.transportation.org.

The 17th Edition of the Standard Specifications which replaces the 16th Edition of the Standard Specifications and subsequent Interims 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002, also includes interim 2003 which was never published as a separate document.

Please note that former Section 17" Soil- Reinforced Concrete Structure Interaction Systems" Division I, is now Section 16 and former Section 18 " Soil-Thermoplastic Pipe Interaction Systems", Division I, is now Section 17.

The 17th Edition of the Standard Specifications shall; be applied to all design plans prepared from TS&L plans approved after March 31, 2003.

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